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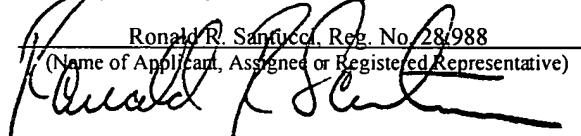
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s) : Cornelia Berghof et al.  
Serial No. : 10/691,731  
For : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE SET FOR DETECTING SALMONELLA, NUCLEIC ACIDS, KIT AND USE  
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**RESPONSE AND DECLARATION—AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on April 16, 2008, having a three-month statutory period for response that expired on July 16, 2008, Applicants hereby request an extension of time to respond and offer the following amendment of the claims and remarks in the above-identified application as follows:

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**Request for Extension of Time**, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.